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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This response is in reply to the non-final Office Action dated November 16, 2004, for which the time for reply has been extended one month to March 16, 2005 by an accompanying petition. Claims 1-10 are pending in the application. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,284,364 to Jain, hereafter Jain, in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,900,954 to Katz et al., hereafter Katz.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner participating in a telephonic Interview on March 10, 2005. It was agreed that the rejection is untenable for the reasons set forth in the argument below. The Examiner will do an update search.